



## ***Presentation of the BCRC Slovakia***

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## **BASEL CONVENTION REGIONAL CENTRE SLOVAKIA**

The Centre covers 19 CEE countries

EU MS Waste shipment regulation (Regulation EC/1013/2006 on shipment of waste)

CET Basel Convention

3 regional workshops aimed at problems related to the TBM and illegal traffic

1 regional workshop aimed at the prosecution of illegal traffic of hazardous wastes and other wastes under the Basel Convention (2013)

Active participation on UNEP activities

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## BCRC activities related to the TBM:

- Ad hoc activities on daily basis
- Project on legal assistance for the BC implementation into national legislation in three CET countries
- Regional workshops
- *Associated member consortium leaded by IMPEL with different partners have submitted project proposal for a grant regarding training and tools for practitioners involved in the fight against illegal waste trade*

## Observations

- General regional problem: capacity building is reflected in the 2016-2019 BP
- Legislation establishment and enforcement
- Improvement of national legislation and notification processes
- Problems related to daily wastes shipments
- Training for customs and relevant authorities
- What can show us the project in Moldova

The interactive Manual for Customs on hazardous chemicals and wastes under the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm conventions to enhance the knowledge of the three global treaties that contribute to safely managing the production, movement, use and disposal of hazardous chemicals and wastes

- Feedback from 7 countries - request for projects/training on:
- How to improve legislation regarding the export and transit of waste
- How to fulfil correct the annexes for export of hazardous and non-hazardous waste.
- How to cooperate with each other in order to don't delay the answer by the country of destination in case of export of hazardous waste
- Control procedure for transboundary movement of hazardous waste and providing assistance to competent authority of BC, customs and policy authorities in the implementation of the convention through common projects for neighbouring countries.
- Develop supported guidelines for Preventing and combating illegal traffic how to efficiently apply the Article 9. Of the Basel Convention.
- Revise and improve legislative framework, to train CA, customs, police, prosecutors and judges in order to apply Basel Convention and national legislation, to prepare common project with neighbouring countries on the control of transboundary movement of wastes
- Development of a comprehensive users friendly guide on control of illegal shipments of chemicals/wastes in transboundary context, that would be easily available and broadly disseminated is of a high importance

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- Cooperation in case waste is not considered hazardous in country A but it is considered as hazardous in country B
- Strengthening cooperation at national level and on guidance on waste versus non-waste
- Awareness raising activities
- Inspection methods
- Guidance on waste versus non-waste
- Technical assistance in the area of preventing and combating illegal traffic under the Basel Convention including transmission of working knowledge, instruction and training.



Thank you for your attention

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